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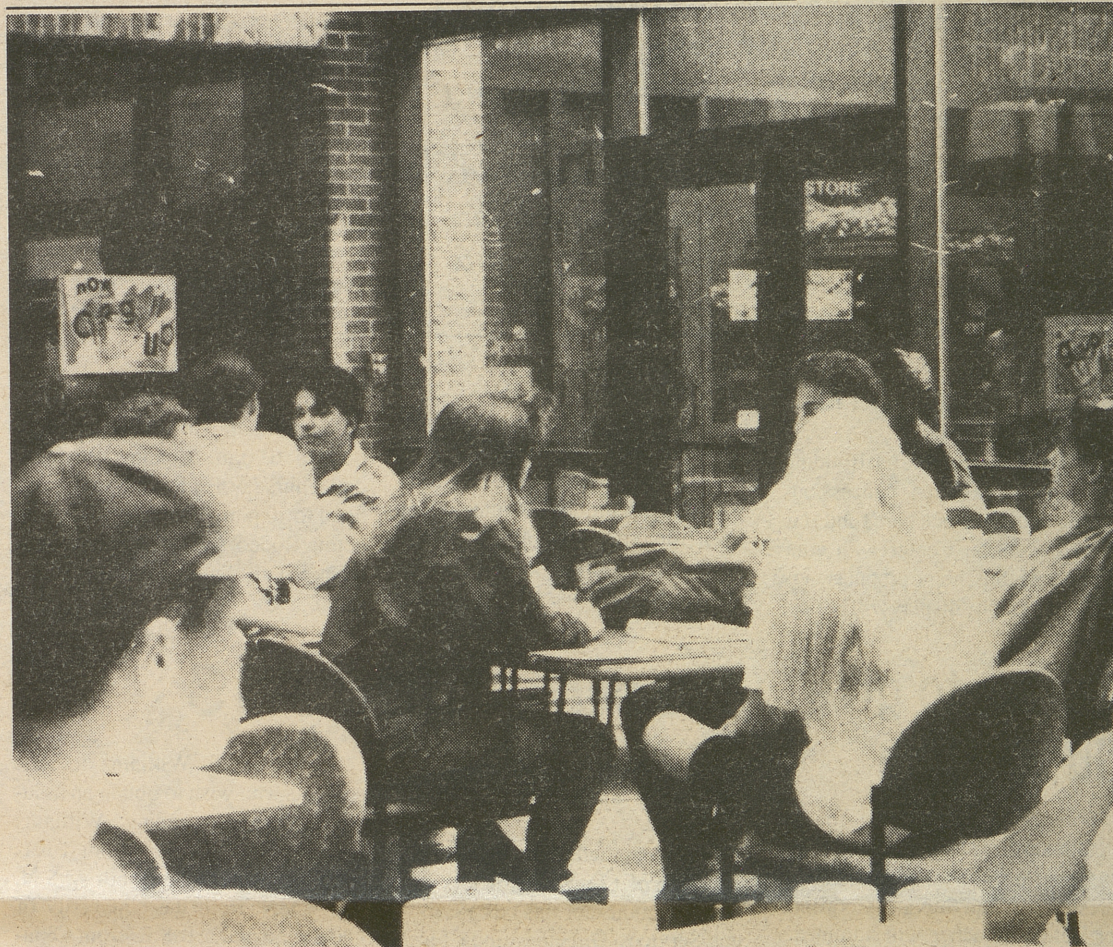


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NUMBERS UP--A record enrollment means crowds of students in hallways, Library and cafeteria as well as in vehicles searching for a parking place.

Building starts for Center

TJC will have a new administration building soon. Already well under construction, the new building will be located on the southwest corner of the campus. The Center is being built on the site of the old Student Center, which was torn down last semester.

The 66,000 square foot White Administration Service Center will

house financial services, the vice presidents' offices and the business and registrar's offices.

The Center is named for Jack and Dorothy Faye White, who have made substantial contributions to the college in many areas.

"The new building will free up much-needed space for future classrooms in Jenkins Hall and the old

Financial Services building," said Physical Plant Director Bill Parker.

"We are looking at a projected completion date of Nov. '92 for the new building, with all construction complete by Nov. '93," said Parker. "The building is going to cost around \$5.3 million."

Parker said the new building will be two and one-half stories tall.

Enrollment climbs again, increases parking problems

By Monica Bruno
and Chris Chambliss

TJC enrollment hit an all-time high this semester. When regular registration ended Aug. 28, 8,574 students were enrolled.

Enrollment is up by 485 students from last fall's 8,089 total. Fifty-two percent are full-time students taking 12 or more semester hours; 48 percent are enrolled for fewer than 12 hours.

Twenty-two percent attend both day and night classes; 60 percent are day students only. Almost 17 percent attend only night classes. Only 1 percent attend weekend classes.

Out of a hundred students, 59 are female, 41 are male. Their average age is 25. The average semester load is 10.2 hours.

Registrar Bill Willmeth said he believes that the economy played a major role in more students choosing Tyler Junior College.

"With the increasing cost of tuition, it is becoming harder financially for parents to send their children straight to a four-year college. Tyler Junior College provides a more convenient and a more economically feasible solution," he said.

Admissions Dean Kenneth Lewis believes that aside from the economy the record enrollment is due in large part to the excellent job by TJC's recruiting staff.

Recruiters travel to all the major cities in Texas presenting the college to high school students.

Lewis said the increasing allied health programs have attracted more

students who recognize Tyler as the leading health center of East Texas.

"TJC has always done a great job of meeting the students needs in the past," he said. "And it is that 'word of mouth' from former students that keeps new students coming."

Although enrollment results are good news for the admissions office, the increase in students raises a few questions about class size and parking.

"The class sizes are actually getting smaller," Lewis said. Due to the number of part-time faculty made up of mostly retired persons or housewives who have come back to work, the school has been able to offer more classes and in smaller sizes," he said.

This high enrollment leads to a definite parking problem. The 8,574 students have only 2,118 parking spaces on campus and about 500 off campus to share. Some 170 were lost due to the construction of the new administration building.

That's a total of only about 2,600 available, Physical Plant Director Bill Parker said.

The most cars are on campus between 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Parker said he drove through all the parking lots and around campus about 10:30 a.m. and every space was full.

He said he is not aware of any plans for building a new parking lot at this time. of parking seems to have no easy solution.

The problem is being studied but, until it is solved, Lewis suggests arriving for class early and carpooling whenever possible.

Sunday Lube-A-Thon to benefit MDA

Super-Lube in Tyler plans a Lube-A-Thon Sunday to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The Lube-A-Thon will run from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at both Super Lube locations in Tyler: 2417 S. Broadway and 3819 Troup Highway.

Super Lube will check all auto fluids including brake, power steering and transmission, for a minimum donation of \$12.50 to MDA. They will also change the oil and oil filter, check tires and vacuum front floorboards.

Employees of Super Lube are donating their time and labor to help MDA, and Pennzoil is donating the oil.

Other sponsors are: Domino's Pizza, Tyler Beverages Inc., Music Mountain Spring Water, Business Forms and Printing and TJC.

Last year the Lube-A-Thon raised about \$2200 for MDA by servicing more than 200 cars. Most people gave more than the \$10 limit last year. MDA hopes to do as well this year, Carol Biggs said.

Students to vote next week for freshman officers, senators

Student can vote for freshman class officers and senators. Elections will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday at the information desk in Rogers Student Center. Students can also vote from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday in the lobby at Regional Training and Development Center.

Any full time student with an ID can vote.

Candidates turned in signed petitions to Scott Nalley, director of student activities, last week. They must have at least a 2.0 GPA if they

have completed 12 hours or more.

Candidate speeches will be creatively filmed by Fun Flicks. The three to five minute campaign videos will be shown from 7 to 10 p.m. on Monday in the Student Center.

Non-candidates can also make videos from noon to 5 p.m. Monday. The three best videos will be shown with the candidate speeches.

Freshman president candidates are: Terry Barnes, Philip Broome, Bob Hanley, Laura Heineke, Amy Townsend, Albert C. Tubbs, Jacquelyn White, Christian Wooten and

Renee' Wyatt.

Vice president candidates are: Christy Bell, Abby Day, Jason Jones, Alene King, Matthew Moore, Mindy Statch and Deborah Wood.

Secretary candidates are: Angi Berry, Tammy Dombeck, May Fontelera, Crickett Gunn, Nancy Maxwell and Tanya Mills.

Senator candidates are: Jentry Carruth, Vedra Clavin, Brandy Costlow, Daphne Daniels, Jennifer DeLeon, Danny Duncan, Lupe Ibarra, Chris Irwin, Reginald Jones, Robyn Ruthven and Carol Sturdivant.

Lawmakers erode American freedom

Freedom is breaking out all over the world. Communism is in its death throes in the Soviet Union. Most Americans are glad to see the totalitarian boot finally being removed from the necks of the Soviet people.

Now it is time to concern ourselves with the loss of freedom in America. During the last decade citizens have experienced significant losses in civil liberties in our own nation, as an increasingly bureaucratic and corporate government attempts to regulate conflicts in a society that grows more complicated daily.

Four hundred new laws in Texas this legislative session are only one example of a slow but steady chipping away of individual rights.

Women have lost ground this decade on the abortion issue.

Through "affirmative action," minorities have lost some hard-won rights.

The Brady Bill worries gun people who regard it as a threat to the constitutional right to bear arms.

A bill before Congress would stop the public's right peaceful assembly on public property, which is guaranteed in the Bill of Rights.

People in power have even attempted to rewrite the sacred document that guarantees our freedom, the Constitution.

The right to drink beer while fishing, to choose not to wear a motorcycle helmet, the proposed curfew for teens in Tyler and the right to protect your own body wastes from government scrutiny are all minute but nevertheless significant losses of individual freedom.

It will get worse from here on out.

At the same time, the government has begun to take less and less responsibility for its citizens, limiting funds for education, care for the elderly and disabled, help for the poor and other necessary social programs, yet no one has stopped raising taxes.

Totalitarianism does not owe allegiance to communism only. It can happen in any form of government.

It happens when a society gets allows it to happen, when people become apathetic and lose faith in the system.

Are we allowing it to happen here? If we turn our backs on government, it will become only more inaccessible and resistant to the will of the people.

This process has already begun. The question is whether it can be stopped in time to save democracy in America.

It would be ironic indeed for the home of communism to evolve into a more democratic place to live than the home of democracy.

ETex Fair to open Monday

The 76th Annual East Texas Fair will kick off Monday at 11 a.m. with the official flag-raising ceremony by the U.S. Naval Reserve. Former Heisman Trophy Winner Earl Campbell will speak at the opening at the flagpole near the main gate on Front Street.

Monday is Magic Monday Night. Those who bring six empty Dr. Pepper cans will be admitted free after 3 p.m. Rides begin at 5 p.m.

The Medical Center Hospital health fair and tests will be open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday at the south foyer Harvey Convention Center.

The Arts and Crafts Building, commercial exhibits, concessions, petting zoo, livestock barns and Harvey Convention Center with commercial exhibits, home products show and photography display will be open

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from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Tuesday the carnival midway rides and shows open at 3:30 p.m. and will be open from 3:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. daily. Saturday the rides will be open from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m. Fairgoers can buy an all-night ride pass for \$8.

A new event has been added this

year: The Academic Rodeo. The Rodeo is planned to join hands with the school systems to promote excellence in education and to showcase the talents of the youth.

During the past 76 years, the Fair Association has worked with area youth through 4H Clubs, Future Farmer's and Future Homemaker's associations. This year, Fair officials began to look for ways to reach more youth. Some programs being promoted this year are: essay contest, art exhibit, band and choral concerts, theater and many others.

The 4H project and academic rodeo exhibits will be open from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and noon to 10 p.m. Tuesday. The Academic Rodeo Awards Program will be at 5 p.m. Saturday in the Bandstand.

Nurse to give flu vaccine

With the coming of flu season, the Health Services Department is offering free flu shots for any student interested. Health Services Coordinator Zelda Boucher will administer the shots from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday until the supply of vaccines is depleted.

"Anyone who can't afford to miss class..." should be vaccinated, Dr. Kerfoot P. Walker Jr., Tyler-Smith County Public Health District Director, said.

Approximately 250 doses of vaccine are still available. For more information or to make an appointment for a shot, contact Health Services at 2264.

Faculty adds 13

By Billie Holsomback
staff writer

TJC students will benefit from the expertise of 12 new instructors and one new counselor this fall, Personnel Services Director Linda Fleet said.

Dale B. Carr has joined the coaching staff as assistant football coach. He also teaches health and kinesiology classes. Carr has previously taught part-time here. He has a master's of education degree from Stephen F. Austin State University and a B.S. in agricultural business from Colorado State University.

Austeen V. "Chuck" Bice is an instructor in Emergency Medical Technology. Bice has experience as an EMT para-med for East Texas Medical Center. He has a master's of education and a B.S. in biology from SFASU.

Former student Jane A. Groff has returned to TJC, this time to teach students in the radiologic technology program. Groff received an A.A.S. in radiology here. She has been supervisor for special procedures at Mother Frances Hospital.

Another alumnus, Isha M. Myrick, is an instructor for the vocational nurse education program. Myrick earned a B.S. in nursing from The University of Texas at Tyler.

Melinda C. Williams teaches students who wish to obtain an associate's degree in nursing. Williams has an M.S. in nursing from Texas Woman's University, both M.S.N. and B.S.N. from the University of Oklahoma and a B.S.E. from Oklahoma Christian College.

Chemistry students will receive instruction from Byron E. Howell, who has an M.S. in chemistry from The University of Texas at Tyler and a B.S. in chemistry from Hardin Simmons University.

Idalia H. Trent will join Howell in teaching chemistry. Dr. Trent received an Ed. D degree in chemistry from East Texas State University, an M.A. degree in education and a B.S. in chemistry from the University of Puerto Rico.

Alisa L. Lewis is teaching math in Success Oriented Studies. Lewis received her B.S. and M.S. degrees from SFASU.

Former part-time biology instructor, Jeff R. Robertson, is now full-time. Robertson has an M.S. in aquatic biology and a B.S. in biology from SFASU.

John A. Baker will help students develop career plans as counselor and director of career planning. Baker has an M.S. degree in counseling and psychology and a B.S. in psychology from ETSU.

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Swede joins soccer team

By Chrissy Chalfant
staff writer

Freshman Fredrick Erickson is turning heads on the soccer team.

Born and raised in Bastad, Sweden, he has been in America only four weeks, but he has already made quite an impression on his teammates and others who live with him in Bateman Hall.

"Fredrick will be a key factor in our making it to nationals," friend and teammate Kevin Leonard said.

Erickson decided to attend TJC on his own accord, not because he has a scholarship. He is one of five Swedish students on campus. The remaining four are on the tennis team.

After graduation Fredrick plans to return to Sweden and may teach elementary school.

He also plans to visit his family, which includes three older sisters, at

Christmas.

Erickson is the first one in his family to travel to America. His father was also a soccer player and had a great influence on Fredrick to play as well.

Fredrick said he believes the team has great potential to go the distance to nationals. They need to perfect communications on the field as well as passing skills, he said.

The team has won all three of their first games against Richland Community College, Baylor University Club and East Texas Baptist University.

Erickson said the soccer teams here play in more games than the ones in Bastad. He also said that the buildings are a lot larger and the people are much friendlier than in Sweden.

He said he enjoys being a member of the team and hopes to make a difference this year.

Campus Briefs

Sam's challenges for United Way

Sam's Wholesale Club has challenged TJC students, faculty and the community to participate in Sam's Fourth Annual United Way Recreational Volleyball Tournament at 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 29, at Lindsey Park. Categories will be men's, women's and co-ed competition. Team members will be charged \$5 each to benefit the United Way. Each team must have six members. Those interested can contact Sue Wyman or Dean Dechiro at Sam's Club (903) 597-7261.

Tri-C plans trip to coast

Tri - C (Campus Christian Center) plans a trip to Crystal Beach Friday through Sunday.

The trip will cost each student \$15 and students must find their own transportation. The group will caravan to the coast.

Tri-C has rented a cabin for the estimated 30 students expected to go.

"We're going to have wall-to-wall sleeping bags," Tri-C Director Dr. Charles Stelling said.

Activities planned include: volleyball, swimming, frisbee and bishing off the pier.

"We hope there isn't too much 'pier' pressure," Stelling jokingly said.

Fredrick Erickson

Intramural signup to end Monday for 2 sports

Intramural sports includes a wide variety of events open to TJC and University of Texas at Tyler students this semester. Competition will include football, swimming, basketball, and racquetball. Winners in all events will receive T-shirts, Intramural Director Robert Parker said.

Parker is trying to develop a system to award points for participation and success to members of organizations and an end of the year

award for the organization with the most points.

"We will definitely have a male and female athlete of the year, but the point system is not a definite thing yet," Parker said.

Entry forms are available now for flag football, volleyball, tennis, racquetball and swimming.

Entry forms for tennis and volleyball are due Monday. The tennis tournament will be 7-10 p.m. Thurs-

day and Friday at the TJC courts.

Beginning Monday, Sept. 30, volleyball leagues will play from 3:30-5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday in Gentry Gym.

Flag football entries are due Friday and play begins Sept. 30 on the fields at UTT. The tentative plan is for a four-week season through October, with each team playing an eight-game schedule leading to playoffs.

Team captains will be notified of game times. If enough teams enter, the league will be divided into divisions, Parker said.

Oct. 7 is the deadline for racquetball and swimming entries. The racquetball tourney will be Oct. 14-18 and the swim meet is Oct. 18-19.

Entry forms for 3-on-3 basketball and wallball will be available beginning Oct. 28. Entries for both are due Nov. 4 and play begins Nov.

11. Basketball will be 3:30-5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday at Gentry Gym. Wallball will be at the same times on the HPE Center courts.

From 3:30-5:30 p.m. Nov. 22 at Gentry Gym, a free throw and 3-point contest will be held. Contestants may sign up in the gym at 3 p.m. that day.

For further information on intramurals, call Parker at 566-8411 or 566-7083.

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Apaches beat TVCC, 28-24

Coming off a last second defeat in the season opener last week, the Apaches scratched out a 28-24 victory over Trinity Valley Community College Cardinals.

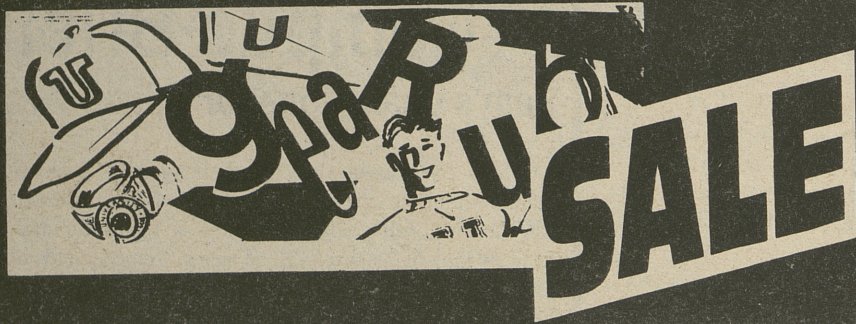
The Apaches used a dynamic ground and air attack against TCCC.

Apache running backs Derrick Richards and Chris Comer rushed for more than 100 yards. Quarterback Tony Taylor hit 9 of 11 passes for two touchdowns and scored on a run. Tight end Mike Tidwell gathered three passes for 71 yards, while Benjamin Bronson had three catches for 56 yards.

The Cardinals drew first blood but TJC fought back with two scores to end the half ahead 14-7.

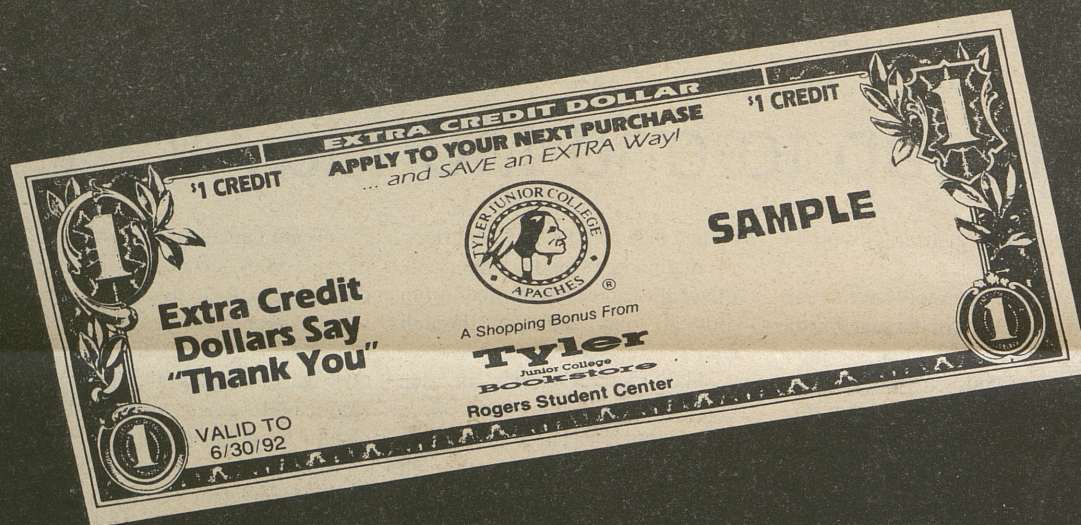
The Apaches pulled to a 28-18 third quarter lead. Despite the lead, the Cardinals, in a span of four minutes, hit two touchdown passes from 33 and 18 yards.

The two-point conversion left TJC with a four-point lead with one minute and twenty seconds on the clock. The Cardinals tried an onside kick, but TJC ran out the clock.



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